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SUBJ: FONMIN KIM'S CALL ON UNDER SECRETARY SISCO

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1. DURING SEPT 27 CALL ON UNDER SECRETARY SISCO, ROK  
FONMIN KIM REVIEWED PROSPECTS FOR KOREAN QUESTION. EMPHA-  
SIZING THAT FRIENDLY RES HAS NO ARAB CO-SPONSORS. HE POINT-  
ED TO SAUDI ARABIA, WHICH HAD RECENTLY AGREED TO ESTABLISH  
RESIDENT EMBASSY IN SEOUL, AS MOST LIKELY PROSPECT AND  
DISCOUNTED HIS EFFORTS WITH TUNISIANS AND MOROCCANS  
AS LESS PROMISING. SISCO SAID HE WOULD REVIEW PROSPECTS  
WITH ASST. SECY BUFFUM AFTER LATTER HAD MET WITH KIM.  
HE FRANKLY ADVISED KIM NOT TO BE TOO HOPEFUL, HOWEVER, SINCE  
ARAB ATTITUDES INFLUENCED BY INTER-ARAB POLITICS UNRELATED  
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TO KOREA QUESTION. THIS MEANS ARAB STATE NOT LIKELY TO JEO-

PARDIZE POSITION BY BECOMING SOLE ARAB CO-SPONSOR, IF IT WERE POSSIBLE TO FIND A FEW ARAB CO-SPONSORS, COUNTRIES LIKE SAUDI ARABIA MIGHT NOT BE SO HESITANT TO CO-SPONSOR.

2. KIM THEN ASKED WHAT COULD BE DONE TO ENCOURAGE EGYPT TO TAKE MORE NEUTRAL STAND ON KOREA. HE COMPLAINED THAT DESPITE ROK EFFORTS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS, EGYPT IS NOW CO-SPONSORING NORTH KOREAN RES. SISCO ADVISED THAT ROKG CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS AND NOT BE DISCOURAGED BY EGYPTIAN TACTICAL MOVES, CITING EGYPT'S PRESENT DELICATE POSITION IN ARAB WORLD AS RESULT OF HAVING TAKEN LEAD ON VARIOUS MIDDLE EASTERN ISSUES. ANY EFFORT TO PERSUADE EGYPTIANS TO MOVE UNILATERALLY ON KOREA WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROACHED VERY CAREFULLY.

3. KIM REMINDED HE HAD MORE REQUEST FOR SIMILAR APPROACH TO PAKISTAN WITHOUT RESULT. EA/K DIRECTOR RANARD RECALLED THAT PREMIER BHUTTO, IN LONG, THOUGHTFUL CONVERSATION WITH AMB. BYROADE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO WHICH WAS CONVEYED TO ROKG, HAD EXPLAINED THAT HE WAS IN NO POSITION TO DEFY PRC ON PERIPHERAL ISSUES SUCH AS KOREA. KIM TENTATIVELY SUGGESTED WE RAISE PAKISTAN CONCERNS OVER PRC WITH CHO EN-LAI OR HUANG CHEN.

4. IN DISCUSSING EFFORTS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH ARAB STATES KIM MENTIONED THAT MOROCCO WISHED TO PURCHASE 20,000 M-16 RIFLES. RANARD REVIEWED FOR HIM REASONS WHY WE HAD TURNED PROPOSITION DOWN AND KIM SAID HE WAS NOT PUSHING FOR REVERSAL OF USG DECISION. RATHER HE WANTED US TO KNOW THAT THE ROKG IS PREPARED TO PROVIDE THE RIFLES IF OUR POSITION CHANGES.

5. SISCO AND KIM DISCUSSED SUBJECT OF RECENT CONGRESSIONAL CUTS IN MILITARY ASSISTANCE. SISCO PROMISED WE WILL BE DOING ALL POSSIBLE TO REDRESS CUTS. HOWEVER, KIM SHOULD KNOW THAT PRESENT ATMOSPHERE ON THE HILL IS SUCH THAT INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS IN KOREA HAVE STRONG IMPACT ON CONGRESSIONAL ACTION. KIM SAID HE UNDERSTOOD AND ADDED THAT HE INTENDED TO SPEND GOOD DEAL OF TIME IN WASHINGTON RENEWING CONGRESSIONAL CONTACTS.

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6. KIM WAS ACCOMPANIED ON CALL BY ROK EMBASSY DCM PAK KUN AND BY FOREIGN ATTACHE HEAD OF AMERICAN BUREAU LEE SANG-OCK. COUNTRY DIRECTOR RANARD ALSO PRESENT. KISSINGER

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